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SUBJECT: SRI LANKA CONTACT GROUP: FRANCE LOOKING TO ATTEND

EXPERT LEVEL MEETING

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(C) On August 29, Sonia Barbry, MFA Sri Lanka desk officer, confirmed that the MFA is tentatively making plans to attend the experts-level meeting in Washington on September 27. She cautioned that senior MFA officials had not yet taken a final decision on French participation in the group, as the MFA was currently occupied with hosting the annual Ambassadors' Conference. In the meantime, the MFA is moving forward to determine who it might send to the experts group meeting. Barbry indicated that the GoF would likely send someone from the French Embassy in Washington as well as one law enforcement official from the Ministry of Interior.

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